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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Covered by Previous Payments	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims*	18 -	24	0	\$18.00/ \$9.00	\$ 0
Independent Claims	4 -	6	0	\$84.00/ \$42.00	\$ 0
Multiple Dependent Claims	(If claims added by amendment include Multiple Dependent Claim(s) and there was no Multiple Dependent Claim(s) in application before amendment add \$280.00 to additional fee (\$140.00 for small entity).				\$ 0
TOTAL					\$ 0

*Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c).

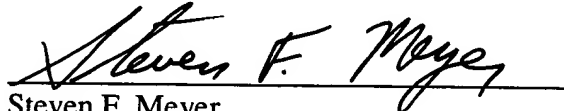
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-3, 5, 16, and 24 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 4, 6-10, 12, 13, and 17 to read as follows:

4. (Amended) The piston according to claim 22, wherein the cross section of the annular concave surface is arcuate.

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